Appendix I.

[Vide answer to the starred question No. 1122, asked by Sri V. K. Krishnamurthi (on behalf of Sri T. T. Daniel) at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 28th March 1961, page 242 supra.]

A.—(*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) Yes, Sir.

(*c*) *Official Members*—

(1) Director of Agriculture—*Chairman*.

(2) Oilseeds Specialist, Coimbatore—*Secretary*.

(3) Oilseeds Development Officer, Coimbatore.

(4) State Marketing Officer, Madras.

Non-official Members—

(5) Sri W.P.A.S. Bhaskaran, Pattiveeranppatti, Madurai.

(6) Sri R. Venkatasubba Reddiar, Advocate, Tindivanam

(7) Sri N. Subbaroyan, Chittalandur, Tiruchengode taluk, Salem district.

(8) Sri G. R. Govindarajulu, P.S.G. and Sons, Coimbatore.

(9) Sri S. Rengaswamy Nadar, Seeniappa Oil Mills, Pondy road, Villupuram.

(*d*) Under the Comprehensive Oilseeds Development and Extension Scheme, it has been programmed to increase the yield by adopting the following steps :—

(i) Organising primary, secondary and tertiary seeds farms for large-scale multiplication of improved strains of oilseeds.

(ii) Large-scale production of quality groundnut seeds and their distribution at local market rates.

(iii) Extension of area under oilseeds crops without affecting other crops by utilising the fallows (double cropping or growing them as inter and border crops).

(iv) Popularising intensive method of cultivation of oilseed crops by demonstration and propaganda.

It has also been programmed—

(i) to run seven zonal nucleus seed farms (five existing and two additionol farms) to produce the required quantity of nucleous seeds of groundnut and castor;

(ii) to organise four plant protection squads for combating pests and diseases of oilseeds crops ; and

(iii) to grant manure loans for intensive manuring of groundnut crops so as to increase the oilseeds production.